HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1007 By Fraley

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Julia Fandrich of Franklin County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Julia Fandrich at the age of 100; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fandrich was an exemplary community servant and educator who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Walter Rosser Willis and Elizabeth Gibson Caperton Willis, she was born on November 11, 1903, in Anderson and moved to Belvidere in the fall of 1922 to serve as a primary school teacher; and

WHEREAS, she completed all her teaching endeavors with acumen and alacrity, earning widespread respect and the admiration of her community; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 1925, she joined her beloved, John Fandrich in holy matrimony at her parents' home in Winchester, with the Reverend R. E. Reaves officiating; they would share nearly sixty-one years of love and companionship before John's passing in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fandrich was deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she was the proud mother of three children, John Jr., William Willis, and Mary Lucille; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, she was very active in First United Church UCC, where she was an inspiration to many in the congregation; in 1986, she was honored for her "60 Years of Music Ministries" in piano, organ, and the bell choir; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fandrich also found time to lend her talents to numerous other worthy causes, including the Red Cross Blood Drive, United Givers Fund, Franklin County Library and

Historical Society, Old Jail Museum, WCTU alcohol education programs, Rotary Club, Duck River Electric Board, Republican Party, Garden Club, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Belvidere Community Club: and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fandrich leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, she will be dearly missed by her son, William (Nancy) Fandrich of Murray, Kentucky; grandchildren, David Fandrich of Belvidere, Bill Fandrich of Arlington, Texas, Joe Hagan of Black Mountain, North Carolina, John Hagan of Rochester, Minnesota, Mary Jane Evans of Monte Vallo, Alabama, Carolyn (Steve) Rochelle of Kingsport, and Lee Ann Fandrich, Susan McManus, Karin Reid, and Sharon Winchester of Murray, Kentucky and daughter-in-law Jean Fandrich of Belvidere; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Julia Fandrich, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her wonderful life of love that she lived with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Fandrich.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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